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## FACSIMILE COVER SHEET

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Re:	Application No. 10/602,245		

### Message:

**PLEASE SEE ATTACHED.**

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## Applicant Initiated Interview Request Form

Application No.: 10/602,245 First Named Applicant: Len Chan  
Examiner: Paul R. Fisher Art Unit: 3689 Status of Application: Non-Final

### Tentative Participants:

(1) Exr. Paul R. Fisher (2) Stephen A. Mason  
(3) \_\_\_\_\_ (4) \_\_\_\_\_

Proposed Date of Interview: 7/21/2009 Proposed Time: 3:00 PM EST AM/PM

### Type of Interview Requested:

(1) ☒ Telephonic (2) ☐ Personal (3) ☐ Video Conference

Exhibit To Be Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ YES ☒ NO

If yes, provide brief description: \_\_\_\_\_

### Issues To Be Discussed

Issues (Rej., Obj., etc)	Claims/ Fig. #s	Prior Art	Discussed	Agreed	Not Agreed
(1) <u>Rej.</u>	<u>Claim 1</u>	<u>Bingham, Patullo, &amp; Fiske</u>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(2) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(3) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
(4) _____	_____	_____	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

☐ Continuation Sheet Attached

### Brief Description of Argument to be Presented:

Applicants wish to discuss the attached proposed amendment.

An interview was conducted on the above-identified application on \_\_\_\_\_

NOTE: This form should be completed by applicant and submitted to the examiner in advance of the interview (see MPEP § 713.01).

This application will not be delayed from issue because of applicant's failure to submit a written record of this interview. Therefore, applicant is advised to file a statement of the substance of this interview (37 CFR 1.133(b)) as soon as possible.

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Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature

Stephen A. Mason

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Typed/Printed Name of Applicant or Representative

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Registration Number, if applicable

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Examiner/SPE Signature

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33. **(Currently Amended)** A method, the method comprising:  
a digital processing system receiving a request for a function space, the digital processing system comprising availability information for a plurality of function spaces at a plurality of properties in a common reservation table and a set of pricing rules, the request comprising a plurality of criteria and the pricing rules including pricing based on a time of year;  
determining an availability of the requested function space based upon some or all of the availability information and one or more of the plurality of criteria, wherein said determining comprises determining said availability on a quality-specific basis, and  
said availability is determined contingent on a threshold revenue for the space comprising expected food and drink revenue associated with the request;  
automatically providing a real-time price quote for the requested function space based on the set of pricing rules, wherein  
~~in spite of~~ in response to having determined that the requested function space satisfying the one or more of the plurality of criteria is unavailable, an alternative to the requested function space is presented, wherein the alternative is selected as the closest approximation to the request for the function space, and  
the price quote includes a pricing discount based on the attendance of the event;  
receiving an acceptance of the price quote for the requested function space from a user;  
establishing a reservation for the requested function space as category space allocated for a length of time including setup and teardown, wherein said length of time is determined in response to ~~[[for]]~~ a selected setup style and attendance, ~~wherein, and~~  
if said function space is unavailable, said reservation comprises an overbooking;  
and  
converting, after a delay, said reservation for the requested function space as category space to a reservation for specific space, wherein the specific space is selected

from a set comprising an indivisible space and a configured space of combined indivisible spaces.